

CORE AREA AND WEST SHORE SEWAGE TREATMENT TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Notice of Meeting on Monday, May 11, 2015 at 12 noon Board Room, 6th floor, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC

L. Helps (Chair)

T. Davies

M. Mahovlich

B. Oldham

C. Witter

J. Rose

R. Barnhart G. Gillespie

D. Marshall

J. Paul

J. Rosenberg

M. Baxter

D. Halldorson

J. McIsaac

D. Purewall

T. Tiedje

M. Coburn

E. Ishiguro

J. Miller

L. Resnick

D. White

AGENDA

- Approval of Agenda 1.
- 2. Adoption of Minutes of November 27, 2014
- 3. **Election of Vice Chair**
- 4. Chair's Remarks
- 5. **Project Timelines Update**
- 6. Eastside Select Committee Update
- 7. Westside Select Committee Update
- 8. Notice of Motion from L. Resnick - Impacts on Public Health
- 9. **New Business**
- 10. Meeting Schedule
- Adjournment

Next Meeting: June 1, 2015



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Minutes of a Meeting of the Core Area and West Shore Sewage Treatment Technical and Community Advisory Committee (TCAC)

Held November 27, 2014, in the Board Room, 625 Fisgard St., Victoria, BC

Present:

Committee Members: G. Young (Chair), R. Barnhart, M. Baxter, M. Coburn,

G. Gillespie, D. Halldorson, M. Mahovlich, D. Marshall, J. McIsaac, J. Miller,

B. Oldham, D. Purewall, L. Resnick, J. Rose, D. White, C. Witter

Staff: M. Cowley, Manager, Conveyance Infrastructure, Seaterra Program; D. Telford, Senior Manager, Environmental Engineering; J. Tradewell (recorder)

External Resources: E. Dyck, Island Health; Jade Yehia, Island Health **Also Present:** John Sturdy, City of Victoria; Christine Houghton, Consultant

Absent:

K. Cossey, T. Davies, E. Ishiguro, D. Kalynchuk, J. Rosenberg, T. Tiedje

The meeting was called to order at 12:06 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by L. Resnick, **SECONDED** by C. Witter, That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Adoption of Minutes

A question arose regarding the inclusion of "West Shore" in the name of this Technical and Community Advisory Committee (TCAC) as reflected in the November 5, 2013 minutes. Chair Young referred to the TCAC Terms of Reference (TOR) and noted that the name of the committee is referred to as "Technical and Community Advisory Committee, Core Area and West Shore Sewage Treatment."

D. Halldorson entered the meeting at 12:10 pm

A member pointed out a contradiction in the committee names used in the invitation letter, membership list and TOR sent to the TCAC members in August 2013. Since both "Core Area and West Shore Sewage Treatment" and "Core Area Sewage Treatment" were referred to in the package, it was suggested that staff provide the correct nomenclature at the next meeting.

Although all Capital Regional District (CRD) meeting minutes are not official until they are adopted at the subsequent meeting, a request was made that staff ensure that when TCAC draft minutes are sent out they be clearly marked as draft.

MOVED by R. Barnhart, SECONDED by J. Miller,

That the minutes of the November 5, 2013 meeting be adopted subject to the correct name of the Technical and Community Advisory Committee being confirmed at the next meeting and to request staff to ensure that any draft minutes going out are clearly marked as draft.

CARRIED

3. Chair's Remarks

Chair Young reported that the new Chair and membership for the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee (CALWMC) will be announced after the inaugural meeting of the new CRD Board on December 10, 2014.

4. Update on Core Area Liquid Waste Management Plan Amendment No. 9

a) Minister of Environment July 3, 2014 Letter of Conditional Approval

D. Telford reported that Amendment No. 9 was approved by the TCAC, CALWMC and the CRD Board in 2013 and forwarded to the Ministry of Environment (MOE) in February 2014 for final approval. Approval of Amendment No. 9 was received from the Minister of Environment in July 2014 subject to four conditions being met by the end of the year. D. Telford gave an update on these four conditions as follows:

- The words "in a manner consistent with CRD policy" have been deleted regarding the preparation of biosolids for beneficial use and the revised Amendment No. 9 has been posted on the CRD website.
- 2. The Wet Weather Flow Management progress report has been completed and is ready for presentation to the CALWMC and CRD Board for approval to be submitted to the Minister of Environment.
- 3. The updated public and First Nations consultation summary report has been completed and is ready for presentation to the CALWMC and CRD Board for approval to be submitted to the Minister of Environment.
- 4. The updated October 2014 consolidated version of the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Plan has been reviewed by MOE staff for completeness and is ready to be forwarded to the Minister of Environment.

Due to the municipal elections in November, presentation of the two progress reports had to be deferred from the November 12 CALWMC and CRD Board meetings to January 2015.

- D. Telford answered questions from members on the above, which included:
- The letter from MOE refers to the wastewater treatment program as being completed by the end of 2018. Is that a change of date?

The program completion date was extended from the end of 2016 to the end of 2018 in Amendment No. 9 and was approved by the Minister of Environment July 3, 2014. A further extension of the completion date would require another amendment approved by the Minister of Environment.

 Because the federal deadline is 2020, can a recommendation be sent to the CALWMC requesting the provincial deadline date be changed to 2020? The TCAC can make the recommendation to the CALWMC. An amendment to the LWMP would then need to be approved by the CALWMC and CRD Board and forwarded to the Minister of Environment for final approval.

MOVED by C. Witter, SECONDED by M. Baxter,

That the Technical and Community Advisory Committee recommend to the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee to request the Province to extend the completion date of the wastewater treatment program from 2018 to 2020 to match the federal deadline.

CARRIED

M. Coburn, J. McIsaac, D. White OPPOSED

Discussion followed. It was noted that the TCAC is an advisory committee and staff was requested to ensure that information is disseminated to members in a timely manner allowing for their review and comment.

5. Overview of the Westside Select Committee Planning and Development

Christine Houghton, a consultant assisting the Westside Select Committee in its planning and development of a Westside wastewater treatment and resource recovery solution, gave a PowerPoint presentation on their plans and progress to date.

- Participants of the Westside Select Committee include the Township of Esquimalt, City of Colwood, Songhees Nation, City of Langford, Town of View Royal and CRD staff.
- The purpose of the Committee is to evaluate options and recommend site(s) for potential liquid waste treatment and resource recovery facilities for the Westside municipalities as a conceptual amendment to the CRD's Liquid Waste Management Plan by the March 31, 2015 deadline. C. Houghton noted that in attempting to meet this deadline, one of the prime objectives is to ensure the meaningful engagement with citizens. Open Houses are planned with the first Open House tentatively scheduled in December at the Songhees Nation; the municipalities' Open Houses will be scheduled for January 2015.

Following the presentation Chair Young invited any questions/comments from members, which included the following:

- Municipalities will carry the main responsibility for siting and their taxpayers will pay the cost.
- Provincial and federal funding allocation will funding be divided between the Westside and Eastside?
- Timelines are challenging for delivery of alternative systems.
- Taxpayers of the affected municipalities will pay for the research and public participation, i.e., at the expense of the taxpayers of the municipalities that are benefiting.
- March 2015 timeline If the public engagement process needs more time, a request for more time will be forwarded to the CALWMC.

- What are the plans to get the public's attention and to get people out to the Open Houses? How are the elderly to be engaged?
 Westside is striving to involve as many people as possible and welcomes any ideas in this process.
- Need to educate the public on what wastewater is and its benefits.
- It's important to identify technologies, e.g., resource recovery.

Notice of Motion from L. Resnick – Impacts on Public Health

That the TCAC discuss whether there are impacts on public health that should be addressed in the development of new sewage treatment systems.

6. Progress Updates from Other Participants (Saanich, Victoria, Oak Bay)

<u>Saanich</u>

D. Halldorson reported that, to date, staff have not received any direction from Saanich Council to undertake any studies and are waiting for the new mayor and council to provide direction. At a staff level, Saanich has been providing information to the City of Victoria on the potential treatment plant sites.

D. White left the meeting at 1:19 pm

Victoria

J. Sturdy reported that the City of Victoria received direction from Council indicating the support for sewage treatment in the region and a willingness to look at the potential to host sites within the City of Victoria. They have retained a consultant to assist with developing the background information and plan to forward a public engagement strategy to Council in January 2015. Victoria has been communicating with Saanich and Oak Bay as the process moves forward.

Oak Bay

D. Marshall reported that Oak Bay is working at the staff level with Saanich and Oak Bay.

7. New Business

There was no new business.

8. Adjournment

MOVED by R. Barnhart, **SECONDED** by C. Witter, That the meeting be adjourned at 1:33 pm.

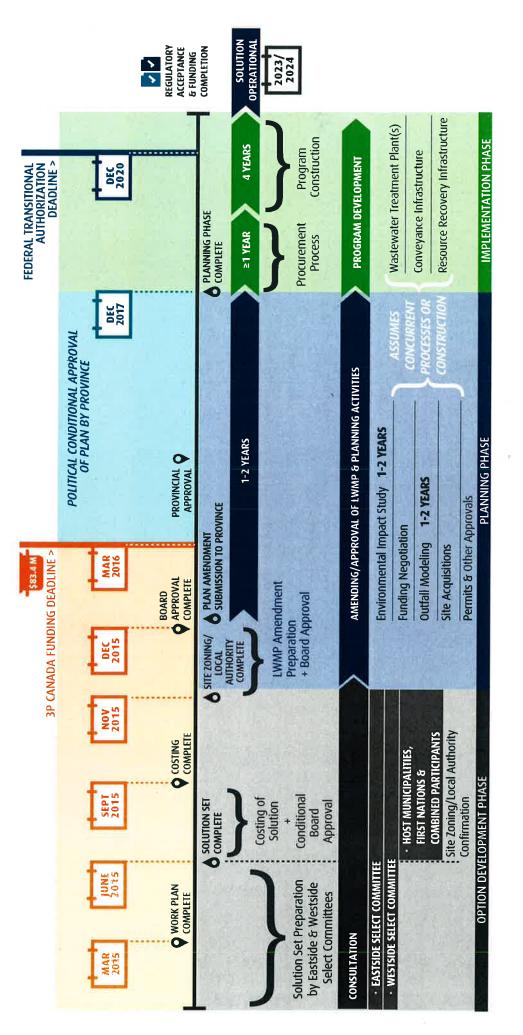
CARRIED

Next Meeting: At the call of the Chair.

CHAIR

Proposed Work Plan Overlay 3P CANADA FUNDING CONSIDERATIONS

OPTION DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION PHASES



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Core Area and West Shore Sewage Treatment Technical and Community Advisory Committee

Meeting Schedule June to December 2015

Date	Time	Location
Monday, June 1	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom
Tuesday, July 7	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom
Tuesday, August 4	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom
Tuesday, September 1	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom
Tuesday, October 6	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom
Tuesday, November 3	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom
Tuesday, December 1	12 – 2	CRD Boardroom